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SUBJECT: US-USR S&T AGREEMENT: COMPUTER APPLICATIONS: SOFTWARE  
(01.0104)

1. DURING 15 JUNE MEETING AT SCST, BARABOSHKIN EXPLAINED THAT SHURAKOV HAS ENCOUNTERED UNSURMOUNTABLE DIFFICULTIES IN PREPARING TO HOST THE THREE U.S. SOFTWARE DELEGATIONS SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE 19 JUNE. DELEGATIONS ON SUBTHEMES THREE (01.010403) AND FIVE (01.010405) WILL HAVE TO BE POSTPONED, "PROBABLY UNTIL AUTUMN."

2. BARABOSHKIN BELIEVES THAT DELEGATION ON SUBTHEME FOUR, HIGH-LEVEL LANGUAGES (01.010404), CAN BE RECEIVED, ALTHOUGH SCST IS SWITCHING THE HOSTING FUNCTION TO ERSHOV AND THE ACADEMY (AWAY FROM SHURAKOV AND MINISTRY OF CULTURE AND HIGHER EDUCATION). ITINERARY WILL INCLUDE MOSCOW, LENINGRAD, AND NOVOSIBIRSK, AND BARABOSHKIN HOPES THAT ALL AUFENKAMP'S DESIRES CAN BE INCORPORATED IN THIS DELEGATION'S VISIT. SOVIETS EXPECT AUFENKAMP AS MEMBER OF THIS DELEGATION.

3. BARABOSHKIN WOULD OR COULD NOT EXPLAIN DIFFICULTIES TO EMBOFFS, ALTHOUGH PART OF THE PROBLEM IS HOTEL SPACE.  
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BARABOSHKIN HAS REQUESTED THAT PROFESSOR SHURAKOV HIMSELF EXPLAIN THE PROBLEMS TO EMBOFFS IN 16 JUNE MEETING AT SCST. BARABOSHKIN ADDED COMMENT ON HIS DISPLEASURE ABOUT THIS SITUATION.

4. AFTER BARABOSHKIN LEFT MEETING, ISHCHENKO RELATED THAT HE AND BARABOSHKIN HAD TRIED TO REACT TO THE RECENT BARRAGE OF

QUESTIONS FROM THE SCIENCE OFFICE ON THESE DELEGATIONS, BUT THAT BARABOSHKIN HAD "ONLY TODAY" BEEN ABLE TO GET PARTIAL INFORMATION ON THE STATUS OF PREPARATIONS OUT OF SHURAKOV. ISHCHENKO RELATED THAT AYKAZYAN "DID A GREAT DEAL OF WORK TODAY" TO TRY TO HAVE THE DELEGATIONS RECEIVED, BUT FOUND THAT IT IS TOO LATE.

5. (FYI - THE WORLD ELECTROTECHNICAL CONGRESS, CURRENTLY TAKING PLACE IN MOSCOW, HAS RESERVED MUCH HOTEL SPACE, SO THAT A NUMBER OF U.S. DELEGATIONS UNDER OTHER ACTIVITIES HAVE ENCOUNTERED SCHEDULING PROBLEMS IN MOSCOW END FYIL. EMBOFFS STRESSED TO ISHCHENKO THE NEGATIVE EFFECTS WHICH LAST-MINUTE CANCELLATIONS HAVE ON THE COOPERATION, NOTING THAT AUFENKAMP WILL HAVE DIFFICULTY IN CONVINCING MEMBERS OF CANCELLED DELS TO REPEAT THE PREPARATIONS FOR A LATER VISIT. ISHCHENKO CONCURRED COMPLETELY, NOTING THAT SCST HAS REPEATEDLY STRESSED TO SOVIET PARTICIPANTS THAT SCST, AS WELL AS "THE AMERICAN COLLEAGUES," MUST BE INFORMED AS PROMPTLY AS POSSIBLE. EMBOFFS NOTED THAT WEEK OF 19 JUNE WAS PERHAPS POOR CHOICE OF TIMING FOR U.S. DEL VISIT TO MOSCOW, BUT THAT PROPER TIME TO ANNOUNCE THAT IS APRIL OR EARLY MAY, NOT 15 JUNE.

6. WILL REPORT RESULTS OF 16 JUNE MEETING WITH SHURAKOV.  
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